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IN DREADFUL SUSPENSE.

MUGWUMP TO DEMOCRAT—"What Flag are the Republicans running up? If it is Blaine, we are lost. For all our powder is burnt and our ammunition is spent."

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THE UNBIDDEN GUEST—The queen of England in Berlin.

RANDALL CHICKEN to Carlisle elephant—"Be careful! Let us not step on each other's toes."

THERE IS A GREAT mistake in the case of Rollin M. Squire. To wit, that is to say, his parents insisted on raising him.

THEY SAY that David B. thinks he can't run for governor for the mere purpose of pulling Grover through New York.

MR. BLAINE can carry New York against both Cleveland and Hill. If the latter refuses to run Mr. Blaine is good for 20,000 majority. Put that in your pipe when you feel like smoking.

THE GOVERNOR was pretty near that aqueduct iniquity, but he didn't carry the documents necessary to legally fix his connection with it

SOME DAY it will strike the French government that the best way to kill off a rising man is to let him alone, but the day is beyond the existing authorities.

IT IS PRETTY certain that the pending national canvass is not to be run on the issues of '98 or '61 or '84. We have grown so that there are really some new things.

MR. CLEVELAND, the Rochester *Democrat* says, is a worse anglomaniac than Minister Phelps. That is saying much, very much; and yet there is that free-trade message.

DR. AGNEW said that no man had lived to be 100 years old. Very likely; but we notice he was very careful in making the assertion not to insinuate any tenderness on the part of Susan B. Anthony.

QUESTION FOR DISCUSSION—Is it not the most brutal of medical barbarism that keeps the emperor of Germany alive? What could be more pathetic than his remark—"You persist in giving me restoration. Why do you not give me release?"

A POTOMAC RIVER RIPPLE.

MR. CLAWSIN—"Am she daid, Mistah Claigh?"
MR. CLAIGH (*with a tired inflection*)—"No; jes' swounded. Dis mek's d' fo'th time I'se done pull her out dis yer month. She's got in de habit ob gittin' barptised up de ribber, en de pahson's weak."

A VERY HEALTHY SICK MAN.

Is Mr. Blaine a sick man? Look at that picture of him in the supplement to to-day's JUDGE, and form your own opinion. A gentleman who knows Mr. Blaine pretty well writes the JUDGE from Florence: "All the stories about his poor health are worse than rot; they are malicious falsehoods. He is enjoying perfect health, better than he has had for years; and the Democrats of the United States will find that he has life enough in him to cause them a great deal of annoyance, whether he is the candidate of the party or fulfils the high mission of a private citizen." Yes; Mr. Blaine is well. It will be found in November that it is not Blaine but the Democratic party that is afflicted with illness.

SOME MISTAKES OF JOSEPH.

Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, member of parliament for Birmingham, and recent negotiator of a proposed fishery treaty between the United States and England, as guardian of its Canadian ward, was mistaken when he said in a recent speech, "the representative men of all parties, of all classes, and of the different nationalities of which the people of the United States is composed, with but few exceptions," disapproved of the policy of Mr. Gladstone. It seems by this additional proof that to the English observer the people and institutions of this country are most difficult to understand. As the turtle always wears his shell, so "John," wherever he travels, carries his island with him. His British measure is like that of the Dracian iron bed—those too short to fill are stretched; those too long are amputated.

It may be, however, that Mr. Chamberlain's surroundings in Washington misled his judgment. The present administration is the most un-American one since the republic has been a nation. The Democratic subserviency, through the preponderating influence of southern statesmen, seems to have taken a shape of gratitude for the pre-eminent sympathy of the ruling classes across the sea in the disastrous confederate struggle of the ruling classes on this side. The south look upon the aristocratic English moral support extended them with the same keenness of memory and reciprocity of regard that we so unforgettingly extend to France for its helpfulness in our earliest and desperate need. In this way the real condition of public sentiment, as seen through Mr. Chamberlain's single eye-glass, is warped and distorted. Feasted, fattened, flattered and fawned upon, what more nourishing warmth could be absorbed than this, to feed the always complaisant and stalwart growth of English egotism? To the plain American citizen, removed from the distorting atmosphere of the capital city, Mr. Chamberlain's rhetorical vanities and self-appreciative vaporings are both ridiculous and amusing.

The very essence and inspiration of American politics and policy is home rule. It begins in the caucus, is defined in the municipality, in the county legislature, and takes definiteness and force in the state. Even the national government is limited and prescribed within the bounds of delegated powers which the states have not reserved to themselves. Furthermore, the point of divergence is in the principles of the contending political parties. The opposition to the ultimate Democratic tendency of free trade, and therefore direct taxation for federal expenses, as against the Republican policy of voluntary taxation, through a tariff by collecting only of the consumers of foreign products or luxuries. No honest American can favor and foster home rule on this side of the Atlantic and sympathize with its opponents on the other.

Yet it is possible, in fact probable, that the great mass of our adopted citizens of the nationality that Mr. Chamberlain derides as incompetent for self-government would strike a blow at the great party that through Lincoln emancipated labor here, and is now sympathetically helpful in its struggle everywhere. If Mr. Chamberlain were to become a naturalized citizen of the United States his incorrigible and irrepressible anti-home rule and free-trade convictions, combined with his desire to serve the Canadian dominion, would make him a Democrat.

J. A.

THE JUDGE'S REGULAR circulation in Paris is about a hundred copies a week, but the JUDGE will not give its support to Boulanger until the republic is totally gone.

THE ASTUTE MR. DANA suddenly discovers that while the Chicago convention is in session Mr. Blaine will be on the ocean. It is an uncontemplated and totally accidental coincidence, and yet how coincident it is!

THE MUGWUMP JOURNAL which indorses Cleveland as a choice between evils damns its selection with the faintest of praise and the largest of condemnation, and openly advertises the fact that it is ashamed of its choice.

IT WAS REMARKED about a hundred years ago that America was not created for the special purpose of being the creature of England, and we suspect that will be shown over again in the impending national contest at the ballot-box.

JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDE.

Wife (who has been driven nearly frantic by a habit of her husband)—"John, I read to-day about a man out in Minnesota whose wife killed him because he said 'I want to know' so much."

Husband (surprised) — "I want to know!"

RESIGNED.

Brown was taken suddenly ill.

"Your case is a serious one," was the doctor's verdict on being called.

"Now, doctor, tell me the truth; I am brave; I can bear it. What cemetery would you recommend?"

THE SPIRIT OF THE TIMES.

Old Griggs — "Jack, you young rascal! why didn't you chop that wood? I'm going to thrash you within an inch of your life."

Jack—"Hold on a minute, father. Don't you think it's better to settle differences peacefully than to strike?"

IN MRS. PONTIFEX'S COUPE.

HER NEW FOOTMAN (*after the carriage has started*)—"Beggin' yure pardin, leddys, but av th' duchess av Clanteagh, Oi war lasht wid, had med me rid wid wan fut an th' shpring an' the other wan thrailin' behoind, an' me two hands a shlippin' aff th' top o' th' coach, so hilp me she'd lost me befoor she did!"

WHY I AM A HUMOROUS WRITER.

(*Written for the* FLOOREM, *but paid for by this paper.*)

It being now decidedly fashionable to describe in broad type, and at so much a page, why certain people are heathen, savages, puritans, and Catholics, I want to fall into line and tell why I am a humorist, before the independent gentleman on the corner tells why he is a bootblack, or before the boarding-house keeper tells why he's a millionaire.

At the outset of my career I stumbled across a bunco man who fleeced me of every dollar I had. That was a good joke. It was so funny that I indulged in tears of laughter at once.

Some time after I was trying to hatch what seemed to be an impossible accomplishment, a new joke, when I ran across a good enough one for my purpose. I appropriated it, and no one discovered the pardonable deception. Who knows where the fellow I got it from stole the joke? I have been an original humorous writer ever since.

I have never had the means wherewith to indulge my fancy for books. But in some incomprehensible way (my father is a pawnbroker) I have become possessed of Burton's "Anatomy of Melancholy," and Zimmermann's "Meber die Einsamkeit." Moral: I am a humorous writer. (Note—I now and then come across a copy of the *Undertaker's Journal* and the New York *Evening Post*.)

Though there is no accounting for beliefs and tastes, I am fond of Bob Ingersoll, Ben Butler, Henry George, green apples and quinine, and so naturally I am a man of a humorous turn of mind.

I live in one of a row of houses whose fences support a long line of distinguished cats. Across the way a young lady supports an ancient line of sentimental ballads. Above and below me all the livelong day I listen to a professional pianist and an unprofessional cornetist. You ask me why I am a funny man!

Finally, I am cross-eyed, bow-legged, pock-pitted, red-haired, and purblind, and if that is not funny I do not know what is.

NATHAN M. LEVY.

SLIGHTLY MIXED.

Effie—"I thing you were awfully mean, mamma, not to send up some plums and eclairs when you *know* how I love them!"

Mamma (who has been entertaining some friends at luncheon)—"Plums and eclairs, child! What do you mean?"

Effie—"I asked Rosine how the lunch was going off and she said 'with great plums and eclairs'!"

After a moment's thought mamma evolves from her inner consciousness the idea that Rosine must have said *aplomb* and *eclat*.

A BALM TO HIS CONSCIENCE.

Rev. Mr. Hirsute—"The very hairs of your head are numbered, Mr. Scantilocks."

Mr. Scantilocks—"Well, it comforts me to think how little trouble I give the recording angel latterly."

ELATION.

NONCASH (*the artist*)—"Oh, a letter from the publishers! No doubt my drawing has been accepted." (*He tears it open nervously and reads*)—

DEPRESSION.

"Please send ten cents in stamps to pay return postage on your drawing."

GREAT EXPECTATIONS.

HUM OF THE COURT.

There is a free ballot for even the babies at all the May-poles.

Madame Delia Diss Debar, how we wonder what you are! Up among the spirits high, in the Tombs and not so fly.

We see how it is. Edward R. Phelps is in Albany for the purpose of holding day and evening prayer-meetings.

There are so many plans for preserving the dead that one becomes apprehensive as to the preservation of the living.

There is so much talk as to the game of poker that old lovers of the art, like ourselves, have to be constantly chalking their cues.

A newspaper writer says George Gould wouldn't smoke a cigar for a farm; but we dare say nobody has offered him the farm.

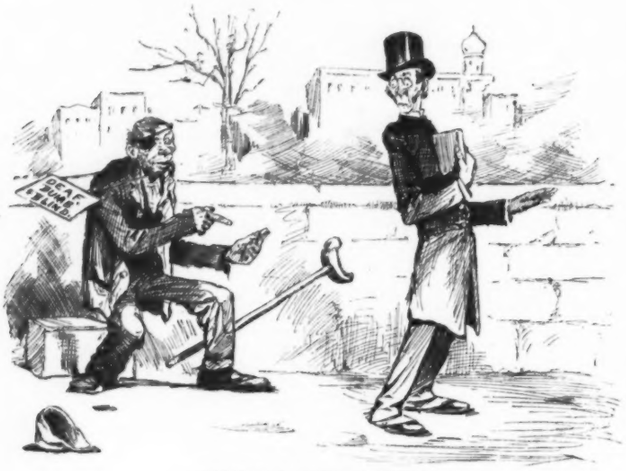
"When do you start for Europe?" "Oh, I am so late as to the starting that my main anxiety now relates to the coming back."

Those Democratic papers which refuse to support Mr. Cleveland because of his tariff views are enthusiastic for Hill because he hasn't any.

"These aqueduct explosions must stop," exclaims Mr. Hill with much firmness. "Why! I had a narrow escape from one of them only a few months ago."

Thomas F. Bayard declines the newspaper nomination of a union with Mrs. Folsom with such haste and apparent sincerity that one is obliged to believe he is rather anxious for it.

It is likely that Matthew Arnold will find heaven very much to his liking; but he will first have to have authority to arrange a few details in accordance with his æsthetic designs.



FORGETTING HIMSELF SLIGHTLY.

PRETENDED DEAF, DUMB, BLIND AND CRIPPLED MENDICANT (*to departing benefactor*)—"Hould on, sor! This quarther is plugged wid lead!"

The *Courier-Journal* says of Murat Halstead, "He knows what he is talking about when he is not talking." There are a few other words in the paragraph, but these are the substance of it.

Victoria Guelph to Otto Bismarck—"Vich I declares you're meddlin' vith that as doesn't concern ye. Let my grand-darter halone, y' nasty man! You takes care o' your state an' I takes care o' my church."

Mark Twain always wears slippers on a railroad train; though we dare say he could find room enough if he clothed his feet in the usual large boots. Still, something is due to the comfort of the other passengers.

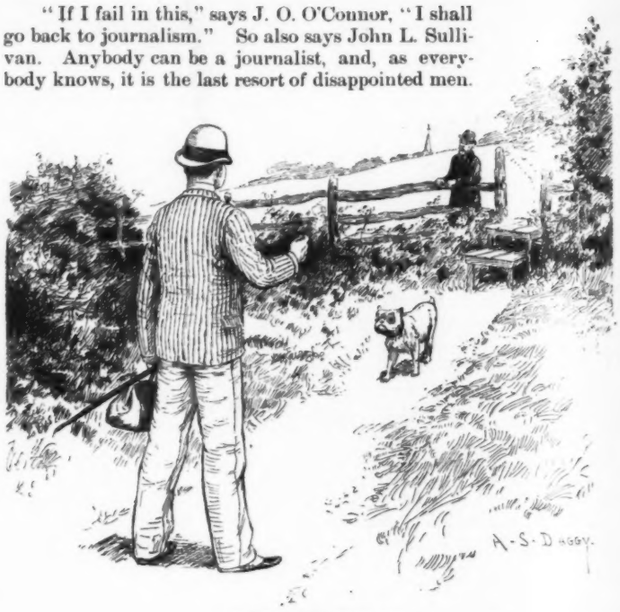
A woman had her picture, with others, in a daily paper under the heading "Labor's Female Cohorts;" and, remarking hysterically that she had never been a cohort in her life, took to her bed and didn't rise for three weeks.

It was Solomon who directed the deeding of Uncle Marsh's property to the adventuress now in jail; but then it was Socrates who directed the reversal of the transfer—so that they have their courts of appeal over there too.

A recent report as to prohibition in Maine shows that there isn't any, and that the intoxicants sold there are vile. "I never go to a temperance hotel," once remarked Artemus Ward, "because they sell such bad liquor there."

There has recently arisen the question whether Mr. Conkling believed R. B. Hayes was fairly elected. We remember that Mr. Conkling was to have delivered the great speech of his life in behalf of Tilden, and that he never said a word.

"If I fail in this," says J. O. O'Connor, "I shall go back to journalism." So also says John L. Sullivan. Anybody can be a journalist, and, as everybody knows, it is the last resort of disappointed men.



A DESPERATE SITUATION.

STRANGER (*soothingly*)—"Good doggy; nice doggy! Say, friend, call him off, will you?" OWNER (*calmly*)—"Can't do it. He's deaf as a post. Wait till he gets hold of you, and then turn 'round an' I'll try to ketch his eye. He minds by sight."

"Jay Gould isn't very strong in controversy," as Mr. Bennett says; but his present of land worth $32,000 to the regents of the Mount Vernon association is among the most eloquent matter presented for the consideration of a discriminative public.

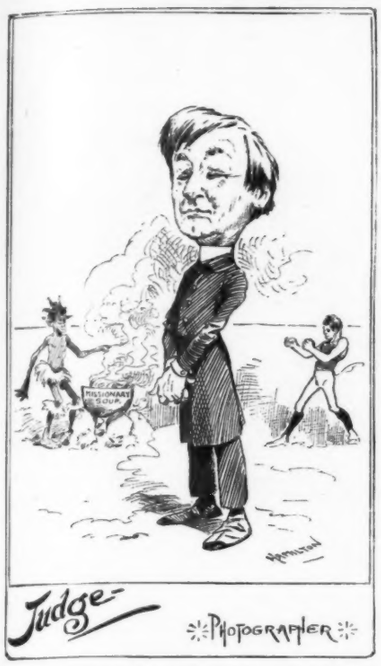
"Very affectionate creature," said the scriptural editor of an evening newspaper of one of the lions at Central park as the beast reached for him with his paw. "Recognizes me at a glance. Wants me to come in there and take the part of Daniel."

A distinguished boodler was refused, directly after his death, admission to paradise. "Your honor is too hasty," he said with deprecatory surprise. "I have appealed my case to this court, and pending the appeal I have a right to occupy the premises." But as he had no money in his shroud the appeal is still pending, and meanwhile he is obliged to exercise himself merely by gnashing his teeth.

SUNDAY, A. M., IN NEW ORLEANS.

MRS. PONCHATRAIN—"Aren't you most ready, Pierre? The service begins at eleven." MR. PONCHATRAIN—"In a moment, dear. I must get this red hackle ready for the scrap at Mrs. Tounour's at three. Have you the hymnal?"

JUDGE'S PHOTOGRAPHS.



THE POMPOUS CLERGYMAN.

In the sentimental sombreness that permeates the aisles, he relaxes all his features in debilitating smiles. The clerical arrangement of his hair is not divine, but the glitter of his eye-balls is particularly fine. A broad, expansive handkerchief is leisurely unrolled when anything pathetic is deliberately told. Sympathetic girls and women sniffle in upholstered pews as he tells how certain heathen haven't any rubber shoes but run around in costumes most indelicately crude, although sensibly constructed for a southern latitude. All the mothers nudge their daughters, all the daughters roll their eyes if he quotes Hebraic scholars or begins to moralize. Loving parents like to have him pat their children on the head, though they say that all good little boys were long ago in bed. And whenever he is tired or disgusted with his cook he can saunter round to see just how his neighbors' tables look.

Despite his nightly dabblings in the language of the Greek his cheeks are round and jolly and emphatically sleek; for he loves to see a turkey swimming pompously around in a platter full of gravy, nicely stuffed and richly browned. Long years ago at college he was noted for his vim in emphasizing statements with a loud and boistrous "dim;" and yet in college chronicles one hears about the night he thrashed a circus tumbler who was "aching" for a fight. It may be he's quite forgotten how he'd saunter out of town to a modest, cosy cottage on a sloping stretch of down, where another party wandered in a speckled cotton print, with a pair of lips as rosy as the reddest rose's tint.

When he weds, the female portion of his outraged mission-band will secure his prompt removal to a missionary land, where the cannibals will twist his spinal column in a knot and stew him in a jiffy in a boiling iron pot.

DEWITT STERRY.

CARRYING MATTERS TO AN EXTREME.

"Modest?" exclaimed a sarcastic old bachelor. "Yes, the girls are so modest now-a-days that they take great pains nobody shall find it out."

HER HEART AND ART STILL TRUE.

First Boston maiden—"Is *that* your new gown? Why! what did you have ashen gray satin for, I'd like to know?"

Second ditto—"This was made especially for the reception I shall give for Mr. Sullivan. My gown is a delicate token of my regret at his late slight defeat. I have adapted the shade exactly to the degree of defeat, you see."

First Boston maiden—"And all these embroidered forget-me-nots? Why, that's a frightfully old-fashioned flower, dear."

Second ditto—"Have you no æsthetic sense of harmony? The language of this little blossom will soothe his sensitive soul, and the color will show him I am still his true-blue admirer, and ready, as ever, to back him for the champion knight of fists. *He'll* understand."

THE PROGRESS OF AN IDEA.

DELEGATE McGURK—"Oi have called, mum, to tell yez that the Housemaid's Union forbid yer to employ scab labor. Wid me own eyes Oi have see yer daughters at work round de house, an' dis thing musht shtop!"

A BRAVE REPLY.

Morocco officer—"I am requested to inform you that unless the Enterprise desists in menacing the city by its presence in the harbor we shall open fire on her."

United States naval officer—"Blaze away, sir; but remember one thing—we shall leave the ship fifteen minutes before firing commences. I have always wanted to watch a naval engagement from the shore."

NOT FOR FIGHTING PURPOSES.

"What would you do if a vessel should suddenly open fire on you at sea?" was asked of the commander of one of Secretary Whitney's boats.

"Turn about and run," was the reply.

"What! wouldn't you return the fire?"

"Return the fire? Nonsense! You must have an idea that the United States navy is for fighting purposes."

HE HAD MET HER.

Grafton—"Aw—I say, Cholly, wondaw why Miss Giddy wears such awfully long-waisted gowns, you know?"

Bobley—"So as to give her neck room, I guess. Ever meet her in the evening?"

A COLD CHEEK.

Bobley—"Aw, Cholly, that's a terrible cold you've got."

Grafton—"Yetz, de' boy. I called on Miss Tenseasons lawst night, a'd-chew! hatchew! she laid her cheek od my bosob, a'd--pwoposed!"

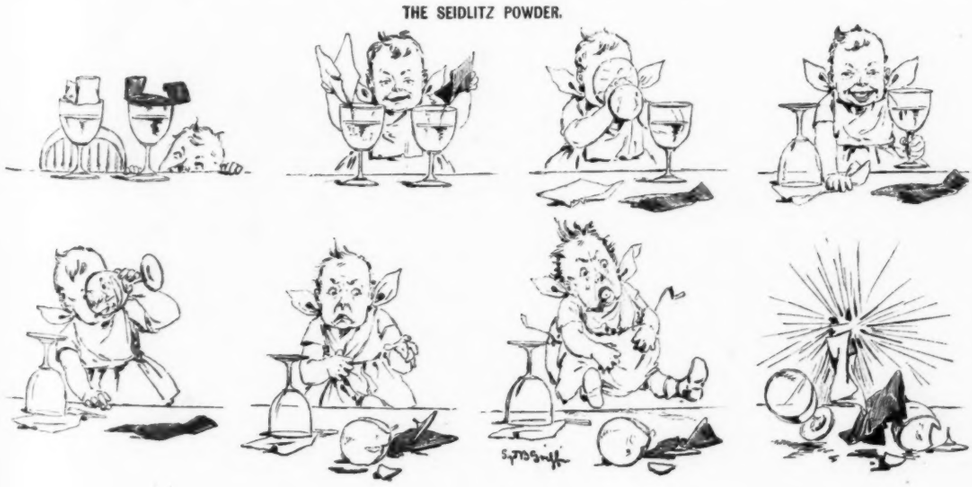
DIRECT TESTIMONY.

It was a case of trespass.

Lawyer—"Now, sir, in entering that house did the accused use an expletive?"

Witness—"No, sir; it was an ordinary key."

THE SEIDLITZ POWDER.



MAY VIOLETS.

I walked through budding woods with Lucy,
To seek the first May violet;
In my large footprints her's were set
Because the ground was rather juicy.

What joy, with one beloved, to ramble,
And know she shared my poet mood,
While, now and then, she paused and stood
To free herself of clinging bramble.

Fresh breezes blew; soft shadows drifted,
Yet not one violet could we see,
But still dear Lucy followed me;
Her dainty skirts with care uplifted.

We wandered on by lanes and forests.
At last she sighed, "Good gracious, Jack!
My boots are ruined; let's go back,
We're *sure* to find them at the florist's."

MADELINE S. BRIDGES.

A CONJUGAL HINT.

Wife (who occasionally attempts "a bit from Wagner")—"Mr. Hehnpekhed dead! Isn't this very sudden?"

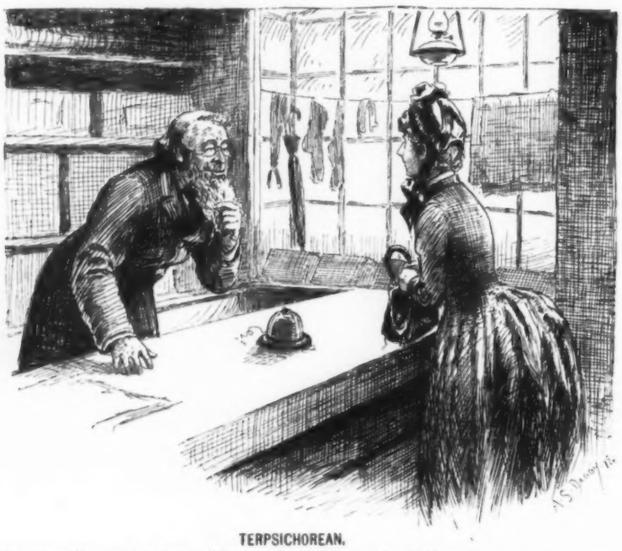
Husband (with meaning)—"No; he lingered much longer than I expected. His wife made him take her to hear "Siegfried" three times last winter, and he's never been the same man since, poor fellow!"

THE DIAMOND EDITION DREADFUL AT THE MAY PARTY.

It wuz in the month of May,
When the birds wuz singin' gay,
A song forlorn,
When I helped to crown the queen
In the ba'my woods serene
In a horn.

I've red in books that it wuz the proper caper to crown a purty gurl with posies, set hur on a mossy thrown an' dance around hur with nice ribbons stuck to a pole an' make the welkin ring with hobycorn saphire. This caper reads nice in books and looks purty in a pictur'; but them writer fellers what writ an' drawered the thing must live in them torpical regions where Injie's coryall reefs jimble an' no Iceland moss grows on this May's plum puddin'.

There wuz more or less genwine dissypintment mannyfested when the queen wuz 'lected, an' at one time I thort the thing would end up like a Simon-pure Dimikrat corkus. But the edick went forth that the purty daughter of a poor woman wuz choose to sit serene an' pose as the central figure at the May party.



TERPSICHOREAN.

STRANGER (*in country store*)—"Do you do any fancy stamping here?"
DEALER—"No, marm. I uster be a great feller fer a clog-dance, but th' rheumatiz' hez knocked me out wonderfully, lately."

I wuz invited an' I 'tended. If there is anything I like to do it is to sacryfice my comfort an' make myself misserable fur the good of my playmates.

I wuz 'pinted a commytee of one to serlect a proper place in the ba'my woods fur holdin' the party. I tried to but couldn't find no mossy bank, no bloomin' posies, nor nothin' ca'm an' purty, sich as the party requirements pine for. It was a gay party what gathered there in my par's sittin'-room, gittin' ready to start fur the scene of festivity.

That wuz all a guy of mine, fur I didn't know of no purty spot fur carryin' out the thing proper. Still, I started at the head of the pursesshun like a little sawered-off hero.

I never seen nor read of any such a May party before. It looked more like a candy-pullin' gang out on the war-path in the middle of December. The queen wore a plush cloak, a knit hood, gurlushers an' a muff. The rest wuz dressed purty much the same. I knowed it wuz a shame fur me to do what I did, but as I wuz invited to the party I wanted to hold up my end in makin' it interestin'.

I led 'em 'cross lots, over streams, where the ice wuz thin, an' had a hard time resquein' the queen from the cold water. I give 'em a dizzy time in the snow-banks, and fin'lly led 'em all home cryin' that they didn't never want no more May party. I got the influrwenzy an' the queen wore a crown of arniker an' a red flannel rag round hur throat fur a week. When I go to 'nuther May party I'll posepone it 'till the 4th of July. H. S. KELLER.

HAPPY THOUGHT.

Robinson, who is rather miserly, was recovering from a long illness.

"How was it, doctor," he asked one day, "that I was able to live so many weeks without eating?"

"Why, you were fed by the fever."

"Are you sure?" Then, after a moment's reflection:

"I wish I could give it to my servants."

Many a man has thought he found his destiny until the honeymoon was over.

WHY THE NEIGHBOR LEFT.

MISTRESS (*to new servant*)—"Bridget, I have set this alarm-clock to strike at four in the morning, and mind you rise at that time."

BRIDGET (*lowering clock down chimney of next house*)—"Shure, an' Oi won't be waked at four by no al-larrum-clock. Oi'm no urly burrud!"

OLD JONES (*the next-door neighbor, at 4 a. m.*)—"That clock hasn't been wound up since my wife died, twenty years ago, and there it's been striking for nearly two minutes. Something awful is going to occur. I'll leave this house to-morrow!"

"JUDGE" ON THE SURPLUS.

WHATEVER shall we do with it? all U. S. statesmen ask.
The question few can answer, for it is a fearful task.
The question has been canvassed by the governor of each state,
And in the nation's halls has been a subject of debate.

It's a matter that most men with small purses wish to deal,
And tramps with empty pockets would like very much to feel;
While politicians of repute, and knaves who scorn the laws,
Have put forth plans by which they hoped to get it in their paws.

The JUDGE would now like to suggest a very easy way
By which the nation can be rid of it in half a day.
'Tis not to fortify the land with massive forts and guns,
Or give it as a premium to the pension-agent duns;

Nor to erect post-offices in distant western spots
Where there's but one inhabitant to fifty thousand lots.
All that the treasury has to do is to open its vaults wide,
And let the little Wizard and his Wall-street gang inside.

C. G.

HOW IT WILL BE DONE IN THE FUTURE.

Europe—"Yes. What number?"

America—"Give me 9,999,999. You can talk now, madam."

Manager international matrimonial bureau—"Hello! At your service."

American heiress—"I'm number 5,417 on your register. I wish to enter the holy bonds of wedlock before that despisable little widow Catchim. What have you in the titular department?"

Manager—"I regret to state that our supply is somewhat limited at present; but we have one live duke, penniless."

Heiress—"Coat-of-arms genuine?"

Manager—"*Bona fide*, way back."

Heiress—"Good. I'll take him six weeks from to-day, please."

Manager—"You understand that you are to foot all the bills for the wedding and pay my commission?"

Heiress—"Oh, certainly. How much?"

Manager—"About $60,000 for the first, and a little trifle for me—say $25,000."

Heiress—"All right. Present my name and compliments to the dear duke, and tell him I send telephone orders to-day, in my private cipher, for a solitaire diamond ring, sapphire scarf-pin, and check for $10,000 for his present contingencies, to be delivered at once. His name and address?"

Manager—"La Longa Sekemoneta, Tumbledown palace, Brigandazia, Italy."

Heiress—"By the way, what's his age and style?"

Manager—"I've forgotten; but I can look it up in a minute."

Heiress—"Oh, it's of no consequence whatever. I'm in haste to begin ordering my trousseau. Goo'-bye."

A. A.

They met, he proposed, but she simply said "No."
His second attempt earned a spirited "Go."
The third time she heeded his passionate plea,
But then she had had the best two out of three.

MAY POLES.

The honest man has to make up to the landlord what he loses by the rogue.

Some people who live in fine houses and pay big rents don't get enough to eat.

The quiet, modest man who moves in the night is probably trying to jump his rent.

The chess-player is not the only one at this time who does not know how to move.

The delinquent tenant, who has received notice to vacate, is apt to run down the house.

The cat which is turned out into the wide, wide world sees very little fun in moving.

The landlord who is anxious to get a tenant in is often more anxious to get him out.

The letter-carrier who went to the trouble to learn his route has had his pains for nothing.

The landlord is ready enough to fix the roof after you have given him notice that you intend to move.

A DOG WITH BAD HABITS.

Dogs are allowed to ride on street cars in Rochester. The other day a combination spitz-skye-terrier, with dark hair about the mouth, tried to make the acquaintance of a little girl.

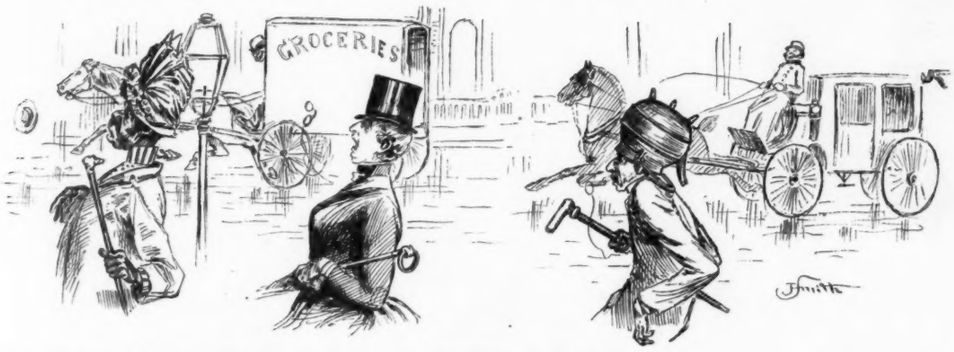
"Go 'way, dog!" she lisped. "I don't like dogs that chew tobacco."

"Why, Ethel," said her mother; "dogs don't chew tobacco."

"Well, his mouth looks just like grandpa's."

When throats are parched and tonsils dry,
And homely physics are defeated,
'Tis pleasant to have friends who try
To have the dryness often treated.

THE RESULT OF A SUDDEN ZEPHYR ON THE AVENUE.

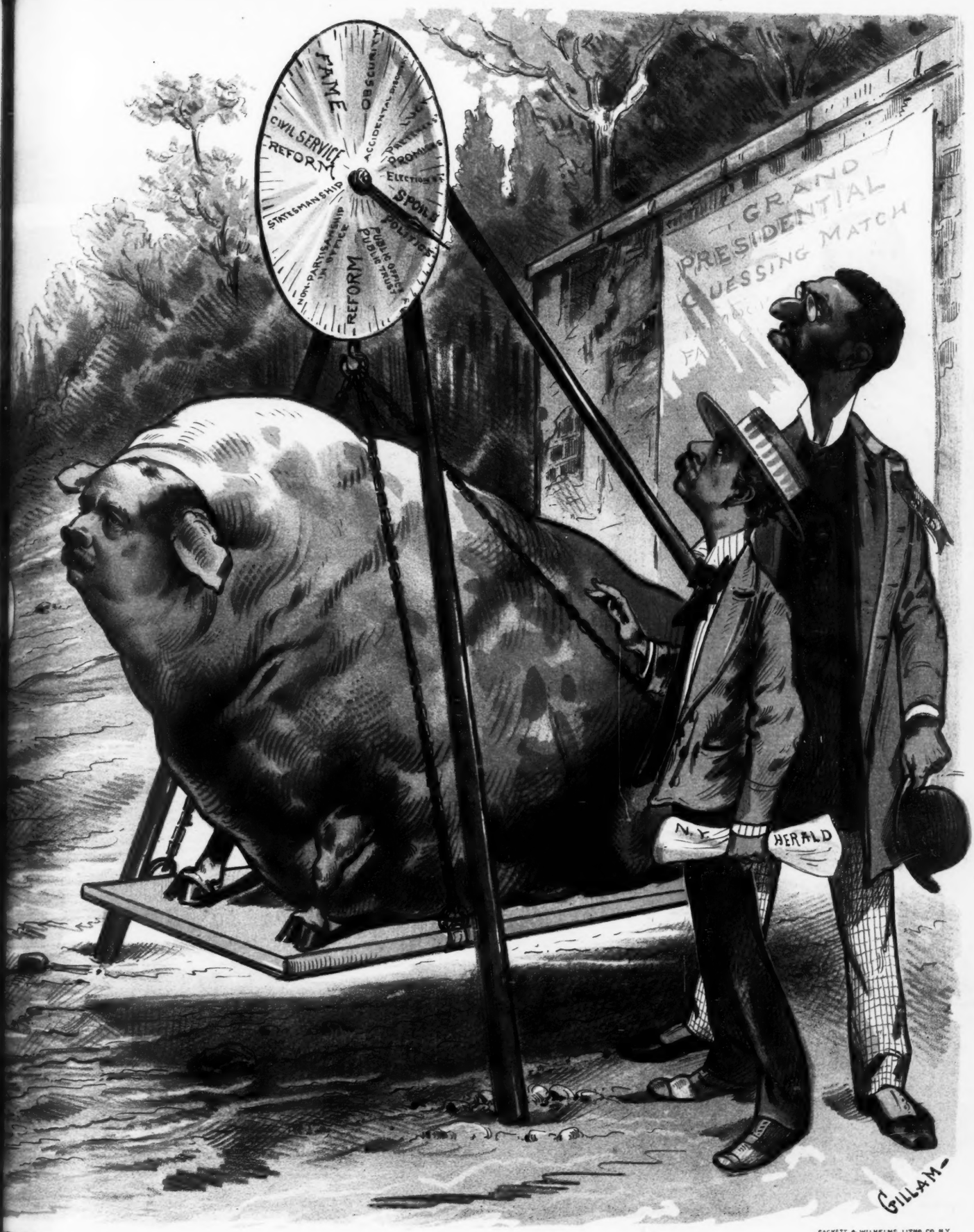


LITERAL.

CAPTAIN OF THE RED STOCKINGS OF THE LOTS—"Cheese it, fellys! Der ball 's struck der home plate!"

WEIGHED—AN

DEMOCRATIC EDITORS—"He promised so much, we all guessed



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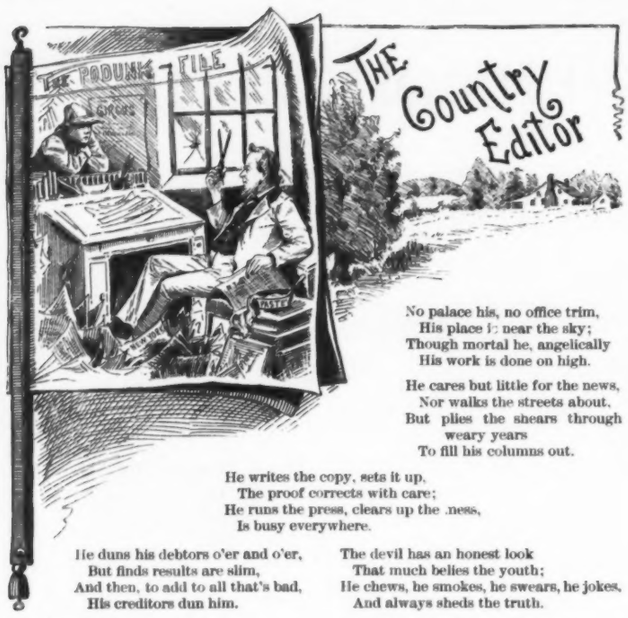
—AN FOUND WANTING.

uessed would weigh more than that! Great Scott! he must be all WIND!!"



No palace his, no office trim,
His place is near the sky;
Though mortal he, angelically
His work is done on high.

He cares but little for the news,
Nor walks the streets about,
But plies the shears through weary years
To fill his columns out.

He writes the copy, sets it up,
The proof corrects with care;
He runs the press, clears up the mess,
Is busy everywhere.

He duns his debtors o'er and o'er,
But finds results are slim,
And then, to add to all that's bad,
His creditors dun him.

Sometimes life's sunbeams straggle in
And light his soul aglow,
His proud heart heaves when he receives
Free tickets for a show.

No one assists him save a boy,
Well called the devil he,
And who will shirk the easiest work
Whate'er its nature be.

The devil has an honest look
That much belies the youth;
He chews, he smokes, he swears, he jokes,
And always sheds the truth.

Sometimes the editor, worn out
With work and anxious cares,
O'ercome with grief, to seek relief
He, like the devil, swears.

And when his life-long work is done,
His earthly troubles past,
Cares left behind, he'll surely find
His great reward at last.

JOHN H. KENNEDY.

HE HEARD TOO MUCH.

Mr. Cushley, who knows her papa don't like him very well, has heard the old gentleman coming and has ambuscaded.

PAPA—"Ethel, if your idea of decoration is to stick up the photograph of a maccaroni-legged, camel-back dude over the mantel, you'd better go down on the Bowery and take lessons in art."

AT THE LADIES' FENCING SCHOOL.

First pupil—"If I were as plain as that Miss Parry I would not push myself forward so."

Second pupil—"I should think she comes here as a foil."

First pupil—"Oh, she wants to show her skill. You know she has been a proficient singlestick for years."

HE LACKED THE MATERIAL.

Landlady—"Mr. Shortcommons, let me help you. I want you to keep me in countenance."

Mr. Shortcommons (bitterly)—"It would be as easy for me to keep you in victuals as to keep you in countenance, Mrs. Skinnem. You see, I don't run either a provision store or a brass foundry."

OLD CHOCOLATE'S TARGET PRACTICE.

De cobbler's apprentice begins on cas'-off shoes.

Dar er some fish dat yo' can't fool wid any bait.

De man dat nebbah makes a mistake nebbah goes ahead.

De unlucky man am de one dat 'cuses fawchune ob bein' blin'.

De bes' piece ob meat may belong toe de cat ef hit falls in de ashes.

Yo' cain't jedge a man by one act enny mo' en yo' kin a piece ob lan' by one crop.

Ef 'ligion war practiced half ez hones'ly ez hit ah preached, half de butcha shops ud shut up in Lent.

Many a man dat keeps 'is mouf shet gits de credit ob bein' a wise man w'en 'is tongue ud prove 'im a fool in fo' minutes.

Ef yo' doubt dat de watahmellens ah ripe, let hit go at dat an' doan' resk de bite ob a dog jis' toe satisfy cu'ossity.

De deekin dat prays long behin' de do' am bettah fixed fo' heben dan de deekin dat prays loud in de camp-meetin'.

By long thinkin' abo't a mattah yo' may lose oppahtunity. A-many ob us jine in at de tail ob de percesshun an' club ou'selves 'case we didn't make up ouah min' quick 'nuff toe git neahah de ban'.

J. A. WALDRON.

MAKING READY FOR THE BASE-BALL CAMPAIGN.

PATIENT—"How long has this got to last, doctor? It's getting kind'r tiresome."

PHYSICIAN—"Put this extra weight on to-day, and you'll be O. K. to-morrow."

CHORUS (*from the benches*)—"Mulvey's got dat sky-scraper, sure!"

POSTHUMOUS GRATITUDE.

Perkins had just died.

"His loss has touched me deeply."

"And quite naturally," remarked another, "seeing all the favors he has done you."

"Yes; but you see what causes me most sorrow is the thought of how many more I should have been the recipient of if he had only lived."

AFFECTED HIS MIND.

Bobley—"It seems to me old Jawkins has a very biased way of looking at everything."

Wiggins—"He can't help it, poor fellow. You know he's cross-eyed."

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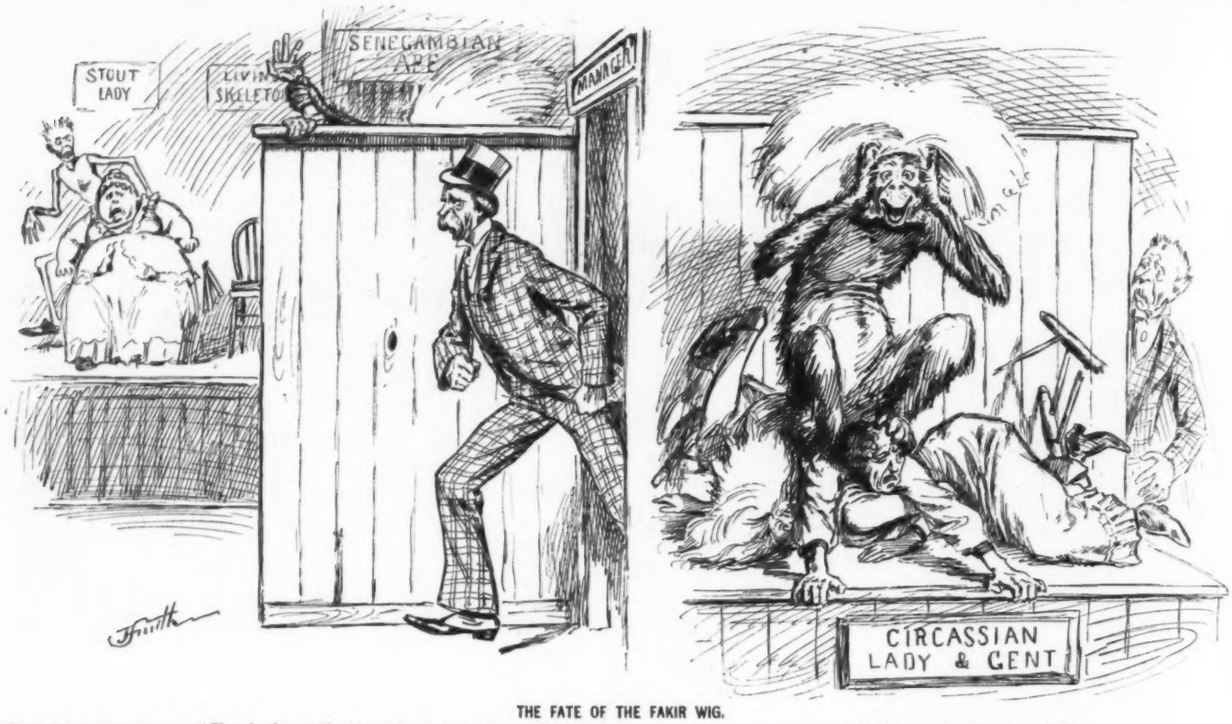

THE FATE OF THE FAKIR WIG.

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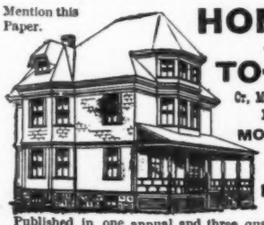

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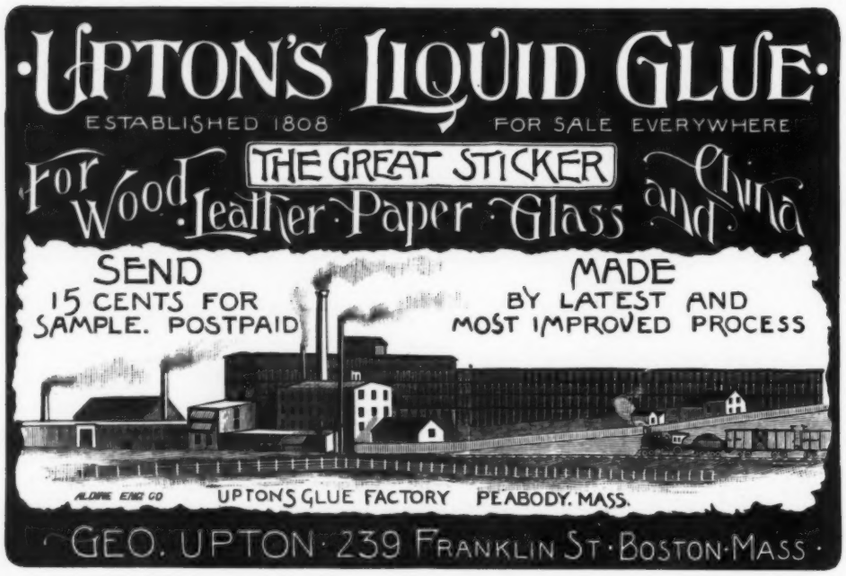

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JANUARY 1, 1888.

Amount of Net Assets, January 1, 1887 ..... **$71,819,623.48**

REVENUE ACCOUNT.

Premiums		$19,328,519.87	
Less deferred premiums, January 1, 1887		1,041,666.15—	$18,286,853.72
Interest and rents, etc.		4,252,430.50	
Less Interest accrued, January 1, 1887		486,497.10—	3,765,933.40—$22,052,787.12
			$93,872,410.60

DISBURSEMENT ACCOUNT.

Losses by death, and Endowments matured and discounted (including reversionary additions to same)		$4,361,366.83
Dividends (including mortuary dividends), annuities, and purchased insurances		5,173,843.96
Total Paid Policy-holders	$9,535,210.79	
Taxes and re-insurances		264,495.60
Commissions (including advanced and commuted commissions), brokerages, agency expenses, physicians' fees, etc.		3,531,026.06
Office and law expenses, salaries, advertising, printing, etc.		629,360.98—$13,960,093.43
		$79,912,317.17

ASSETS.

Cash on deposit, on hand and in transit		$3,038,499.60
United States Bonds and other bonds and stocks (market value $52,255,814.82)		49,088,286.14
Real Estate		6,887,092.59
Bonds and Mortgages, first lien on real estate (buildings thereon insured for $14,000,000 and the policies assigned to the Company as additional collateral security)		15,969,372.78
Temporary Loans (market value of securities held as collateral, $2,404,853)		1,867,500.00
* Loans on existing policies (the Reserve on these policies, included in Liabilities, amounts to over $2,000,000)		388,799.44
* Quarterly and semi-annual premiums on existing policies, due subsequent to January 1, 1888		1,174,340.36
* Premiums on existing policies in course of transmission and collection. (The Reserve on these policies, included in Liabilities, is estimated at $1,300,000)		839,153.08
Agents' balances		170,792.59
Accrued Interest on investments, January 1, 1888		488,477.59—$79,912,317.17
Market value of securities over cost value on Company's books		**3,167,528.68**

* A detailed schedule of these items will accompany the usual annual report filed with the Insurance Department of the State of New York.

TOTAL ASSETS, January 1, 1888, - - - - - - - - - - - **$83,079,845.85**

Appropriated as follows:

Approved losses in course of payment		$327,078.38
Reported losses awaiting proof, etc.		292,214.54
Matured endowments, due and unpaid (claims not presented)		27,582.30
Annuities due and unpaid (claims not presented)		13,042.96
Reserved for re-insurance on existing policies; participating insurance at 4 per cent Carlisle net premium; non-participating at 5 per cent Carlisle net premium	$68,807,642.00	
Additional amount of Reserve (transferred from Surplus account) required on account of new State Standard of Valuation (Actuaries' 4 per cent), taking effect December 31, 1887	1,592,098.00—70,399,740.00	
Reserved for contingent liabilities to Tontine Dividend Fund, January 1, 1887, over and above a 4 per cent Reserve on existing policies of that class	4,176,425.25	
Addition to Fund during 1887	1,785,602.54	
DEDUCT—	$5,962,027.79	
Returned to Tontine policy-holders during the year on matured Tontines	646,306.96	
Balance of Tontine Fund, January 1, 1888		5,315,720.83
Reserved for premiums paid in advance		52,886.73
		$76,428,265.74
Divisible Surplus (Company's new Standard)		**6,651,580.11**
		$83,079,845.85
Surplus by the present New York State Standard, i. e., 4 per cent Actuaries' (including the Tontine Fund)		**$11,846,793.06**

From the undivided surplus, as above, the Board of Trustees has declared a Reversionary dividend to participating policies in proportion to their contribution to surplus, available on settlement of next annual premium.

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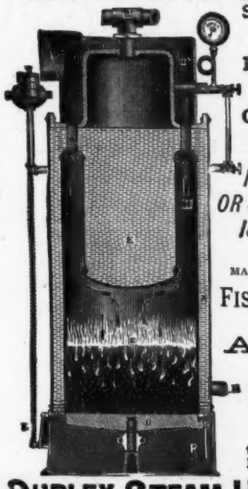

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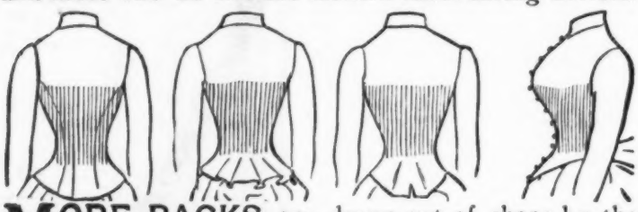

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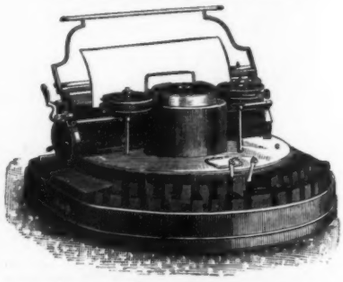

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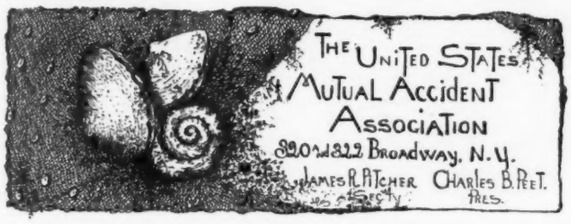

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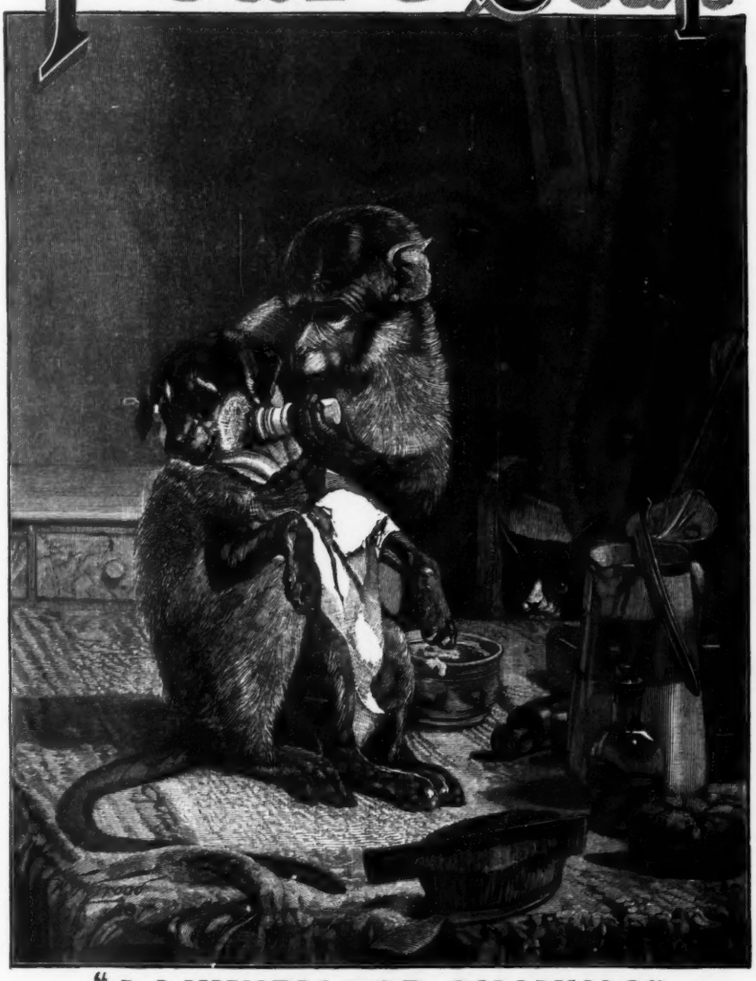

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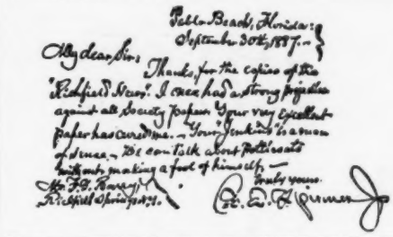
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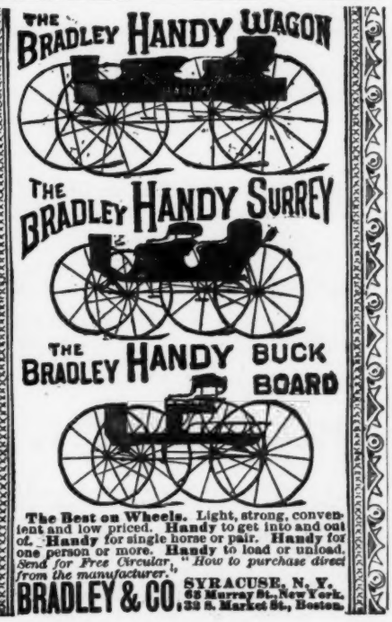

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